

STICKLEY HOUSE and BIG SPRING

AL-II-A-078
Murley's Branch Road
ca. 1870

The Stickley House basically consists of a two story, three bay wide, "L" shaped frame structure. The house was probably constructed circa 1875 and is typical of rural farm architecture in Allegany County in the late 19th century.

The Big Spring is located only several yards west of the house and pours from the base of a limestone cliff. A small board and batten spring house is located adjacent to the mouth of the spring.

INVENTORY FORM FOR STATE HISTORIC SITES SURVEY

1 NAME

HISTORIC

Stickley House and Big Spring

AND/OR COMMON

2 LOCATION

STREET & NUMBER

Murley's Branch Road

CITY, TOWN

Rush

— VICINITY OF

CONGRESSIONAL DISTRICT

Sixth

STATE

Maryland

COUNTY

Allegany County

3 CLASSIFICATION

CATEGORY	OWNERSHIP	STATUS	PRESENT USE
<input type="checkbox"/> DISTRICT	<input type="checkbox"/> PUBLIC	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> OCCUPIED	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> AGRICULTURE
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> BUILDING(S)	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> PRIVATE	<input type="checkbox"/> UNOCCUPIED	<input type="checkbox"/> MUSEUM
<input type="checkbox"/> STRUCTURE	<input type="checkbox"/> BOTH	<input type="checkbox"/> WORK IN PROGRESS	<input type="checkbox"/> COMMERCIAL
<input type="checkbox"/> SITE	<input type="checkbox"/> PUBLIC ACQUISITION	<input type="checkbox"/> ACCESSIBLE	<input type="checkbox"/> EDUCATIONAL
<input type="checkbox"/> OBJECT	<input type="checkbox"/> IN PROCESS	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> YES: RESTRICTED	<input type="checkbox"/> ENTERTAINMENT
	<input type="checkbox"/> BEING CONSIDERED	<input type="checkbox"/> YES: UNRESTRICTED	<input type="checkbox"/> GOVERNMENT
		<input type="checkbox"/> NO	<input type="checkbox"/> INDUSTRIAL
			<input type="checkbox"/> MILITARY
			<input type="checkbox"/> OTHER
			<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> PRIVATE RESIDENCE
			<input type="checkbox"/> RELIGIOUS
			<input type="checkbox"/> SCIENTIFIC
			<input type="checkbox"/> TRANSPORTATION

4 OWNER OF PROPERTY

NAME

George W. Stickley

Telephone #: 478-2493

STREET & NUMBER

Murley's Branch Road Rt. 2

CITY, TOWN

Flintstone

— VICINITY OF

STATE, zip code

Maryland, 21530

5 LOCATION OF LEGAL DESCRIPTION

COURTHOUSE,
REGISTRY OF DEEDS, ETC.

Allegany County Courthouse

STREET & NUMBER

30 Washington Street

CITY, TOWN

Cumberland

STATE

Maryland

6 REPRESENTATION IN EXISTING SURVEYS

TITLE

DATE

— FEDERAL — STATE — COUNTY — LOCAL

DEPOSITORY FOR
SURVEY RECORDS

CITY, TOWN

STATE

7 DESCRIPTION

CONDITION		CHECK ONE	CHECK ONE
<input type="checkbox"/> EXCELLENT	<input type="checkbox"/> DETERIORATED	<input type="checkbox"/> UNALTERED	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> ORIGINAL SITE
<input type="checkbox"/> GOOD	<input type="checkbox"/> RUINS	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> ALTERED	<input type="checkbox"/> MOVED DATE _____
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> FAIR	<input type="checkbox"/> UNEXPOSED		

DESCRIBE THE PRESENT AND ORIGINAL (IF KNOWN) PHYSICAL APPEARANCE

The Stickley House and Big Spring is located on the east side of the Williams Road in Rush, Allegany County, near the Jamison Road intersection.

The house basically consists of a two story, three bay wide, "L" shaped frame structure. A one story shed roof wing abuts the main block at the apex of the "L". The entire facade is covered with novelty siding and the frame is supported by a low stone foundation. Windows in the structure include pegged, double hung wooden sash frames with two-over-two lights and ornamental pediments. The roof of the main block is gabled and is covered with replaced asphalt materials. Eaves of the roof exhibit boxed cornices with a wide soffit and return ends. Circular ventilators are placed in the peaks of the gable ends. A single main entrance is located on the front northern side and features a replaced two panel door with an ornamental pediment. A hipped roof hood is placed over the entrance-way and is supported by square columns and brackets. A shed roof porch is located on the east side and is supported by four square columns. Two original brick chimneys are located to the interior of the house while a replaced cement block chimney is located on the interior of the rear portion.

A large spring is found on the property at the base of a limestone cliff. A small board and batten spring house is built adjacent to the mouth of the spring.

CONTINUE ON SEPARATE SHEET IF NECESSARY

8 SIGNIFICANCE

PERIOD	AREAS OF SIGNIFICANCE -- CHECK AND JUSTIFY BELOW			
<input type="checkbox"/> PREHISTORIC	<input type="checkbox"/> ARCHEOLOGY-PREHISTORIC	<input type="checkbox"/> COMMUNITY PLANNING	<input type="checkbox"/> LANDSCAPE ARCHITECTURE	<input type="checkbox"/> RELIGION
<input type="checkbox"/> 1400-1499	<input type="checkbox"/> ARCHEOLOGY-HISTORIC	<input type="checkbox"/> CONSERVATION	<input type="checkbox"/> LAW	<input type="checkbox"/> SCIENCE
<input type="checkbox"/> 1500-1599	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> AGRICULTURE	<input type="checkbox"/> ECONOMICS	<input type="checkbox"/> LITERATURE	<input type="checkbox"/> SCULPTURE
<input type="checkbox"/> 1600-1699	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> ARCHITECTURE	<input type="checkbox"/> EDUCATION	<input type="checkbox"/> MILITARY	<input type="checkbox"/> SOCIAL/HUMANITARIAN
<input type="checkbox"/> 1700-1799	<input type="checkbox"/> ART	<input type="checkbox"/> ENGINEERING	<input type="checkbox"/> MUSIC	<input type="checkbox"/> THEATER
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 1800-1899	<input type="checkbox"/> COMMERCE	<input type="checkbox"/> EXPLORATION/SETTLEMENT	<input type="checkbox"/> PHILOSOPHY	<input type="checkbox"/> TRANSPORTATION
<input type="checkbox"/> 1900-	<input type="checkbox"/> COMMUNICATIONS	<input type="checkbox"/> INDUSTRY	<input type="checkbox"/> POLITICS/GOVERNMENT	<input type="checkbox"/> OTHER (SPECIFY)
		<input type="checkbox"/> INVENTION		

SPECIFIC DATES	BUILDER/ARCHITECT
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STATEMENT OF SIGNIFICANCE

The Stickely House is one of a large group of farms and farmhouses located east of Cumberland near Flintstone. The house was probably constructed ca. 1875 and is typical of rural architecture in Allegany County in the late 19th century.

The house is unusual in that it has a large spring on the property which pours from the base of a limestone cliff. Near the mouth of the spring is a board and batten spring house. Outbuildings such as a spring house were necessities in that the farm had to maintain itself as a self-sufficient environment.

9 MAJOR BIBLIOGRAPHICAL REFERENCES

Allegany County Land Records Cumberland, Maryland 21502

CONTINUE ON SEPARATE SHEET IF NECESSARY

10 GEOGRAPHICAL DATA

ACREAGE OF NOMINATED PROPERTY _____

VERBAL BOUNDARY DESCRIPTION

LIST ALL STATES AND COUNTIES FOR PROPERTIES OVERLAPPING STATE OR COUNTY BOUNDARIES

STATE

COUNTY

STATE

COUNTY

11 FORM PREPARED BY

NAME / TITLE

John Nelson and Joan Baldwin

ORGANIZATION

Allegany County Historic Sites Survey m

DATE

4/26/77

STREET & NUMBER

507 National Highway

TELEPHONE

777-5967

CITY OR TOWN

La Vale

STATE

Maryland

The Maryland Historic Sites Inventory was officially created by an Act of the Maryland Legislature, to be found in the Annotated Code of Maryland, Article 41, Section 181 KA, 1974 Supplement.

The Survey and Inventory are being prepared for information and record purposes only and do not constitute any infringement of individual property rights.

RETURN TO: Maryland Historical Trust
The Shaw House, 21 State Circle
Annapolis, Maryland 21401
(301) 267-1438

TITLE SEARCH

Stickley House
Murley's Branch Road, Rush
AL-II-A-078

Allegany County Deed: Liber 338, Folio 512
Grantee: George W. Stickley and wife Mary Date: Aug. 31, 1961
Grantor: Daisy D. Stotler Consideration: \$6,000.00 plus \$3,958.00 mortgage
Notes: Mortgage 368/215

Allegany County Deed: Liber 334, Folio 564
Grantee: Daisy D. Stotler Date: May 23, 1961
Grantor: Fred H. Anderson, Trustee Consideration: \$4,000.00

Allegany County Deed: Liber 334, Folio 559
Grantee: Fred H. Anderson Date: May 23, 1961
Grantor: Daisy D. Stotler, Fannie F. Myers and John R. Myers Date:

Allegany County Deed: Liber 117, Folio 496
Grantee: James W. Stickley and Charity Date: Nov. 22, 1915
Grantor: Addison G. McElfish and Adeline
Notes: Charity Stickley devised the property to Daisy Stotler and
Fannie Myers

Allegany County Deed: Liber 113, Folio 532
Grantee: Addison McElfish Date: December 1, 1913
Grantor: Charles and Lyndia Dunlap

Allegany County Deed: Liber 104 Folio 114
Grantee: Charles Dunlap Date: December 31, 1908
Grantor: Luther McElfish

Allegany County Deed: Liber 62, Folio 488
Grantee: Luther McElfish December 30, 1885
Grantor: James McHenry and William Price (Trustees)

INVENTORY NO. AL-II-A-078

338/512
279 Acres

DATE: 4/26/77

REMODELING: Drastic, moderate, minor

NAME OF PROPERTY: Stickley House and Big Spring

LOCATION OF PROPERTY: Murley's Branch Road, Rush

DIRECTION DWELLING FACES: North

NAME OF OWNER: George W. Stickley 478-2493

ADDRESS: Murley's Branch Rt. 2

Flintstone, Maryland 21530

STORIES: 1() 2(☒) 3() 4() 5() 6() BAYS: 1() 2() 3(☒) 4() 5() 6() 7() ()

WINGS, ADDITIONS: Rear (southwest) shed roof w/aluminum siding

Dwelling Shape: (square, cross, rectangular) "L" shaped

WALL CONSTRUCTION:

- Novelty
- (☒) FRAME: Bevel, clapboard, weatherboard, wood shingles, board & batten (type?)
() BRICK: Bond type- common, English, Flemish. Sketch variants.
() STONE: Bond type- rubble, ashlar (random or regular), quoins-plain, rusticated
() LOG
() Other: Coverings

WALL FEATURES: BELT COURSE, PILASTERS, OTHERS _____

FOUNDATIONS: HIGH, LOW, BRICK, STONE

WATER TABLE: NONE, PLAIN, BEVELED, MOULDED BRICK

WINDOWS, TRIM, SHUTTERS: 1/1() 2/2(☒) 6/6() 9/6() 9/9() other()
pegged (☒) nailed() wide () narrow () mitred () pediment (☒)

ENTRANCE, DOORS: LOCATION: North

HARDWARE: original() replaced()

FAN LIGHT, TRANSOM, SIDE LIGHTS, PLAIN Pediment

2 Paneled, Verticle, Horizontal Boards

CORNICE, BARGE, EAVES: (crown, fascia, soffit, bed)
original(☒) replaced() Rafter Ends, Modillions, Dentils, Frieze, Architrave

ROOF: GABLE FRONT, GABLE FLANK, HIP, SHED, MANSARD, GAMBREL, FLAT, BORMERS # _____

MATERIAL: wood shingles, slate, tin, asphalt original() replaced(☒)

PORCHES: SHAPE OF ROOF - shed(☒) hip(☒) gable()

CHIMNEYS: NUMBER 2 BRICK(☒) STONE() CORBELED() original(☒) replaced (☒)
LOCATION: Flush end() Inside end() Outside end() Central() Interior (☒)
1 - Cement Block

ARCHES: Door and window: Keystone, Flat, Segmental, Semicircular

COMMENTS:

Use - Farm

Significance - Architecture

Date Constructed - 1870's

Condition - Fair

INTERIOR

AL-II-A-078

FLOOR PLAN:

- () CENTRAL HALL: Two rooms, each side; double parlor, one side
- () SIDE HALL: One room deep, two rooms deep
- () IRREGULAR

STAIRWAYS:

- () ENCLOSED: Single flight, two flights with landing
- () OPEN: Single flight, two flights - one landing, three flights - two landings
- () DOG-LEG
- () DOG-LEG with WINDERS
- () SPIRAL
- () ROUNDED
- () SYMMETRICAL DIVIDED FLIGHTS

WALL FINISH:

- () PLASTER
- () PANELED: original; replaced
- () BOARD PARTITION: baseboard, cornice, chair rail, wainscot

FIREPLACES:

NUMBER _____

LOCATION: parallel to walls, diagonal

MANTELS: wood mouldings, pilasters, columns, masonry, marble

DOORS: paneled, board and batten, flush

HARDWARE: original; replaced

DOOR & WINDOW TRIM:

- () PLAIN
- () ARCHITRAVE
- () SYMMETRIC with CORNER BLOCKS
- () FLUTED
- () FLUTED with CORNER BLOCKS
- () ARCHED OPENINGS: elliptical, tudor

NOTES:

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AI-II-A-066

AI-II-A-004

AI-II-A-074

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Stickley House + Big Spring

Murley's Branch Rd, Rust

USGS - Flintstone Quad

1:24,000

1974 Revised

660 000 FEET
(MD.)



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Stickle House + Big Spring
Murlay's Branch Rd., Rush

4/26/77

John E. Nelson

Southwest



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Stickley House + Big Spring
Murrell's Branch Rd., Rush

4/26/77

John E. Nelson

Northwest



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Stickle Horse and Big Spring
Muriel's Branch Rd., Rush

4/26/77

John E. NELSON

WEST



RIGGLEMAN/STICKLEY HOUSE

AL-II-A-078

(BIG SPRING
F. H. NEDAK 7/79

AL-II-A-078